

MOSCOW ARTS COMMISSION



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Regular Meeting
~Agenda~

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**Tuesday
June 9, 2026**

5:00 PM

**Council Chambers
206 E. Third Street**

WELCOME AND ATTENDANCE

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Reading of the Mission Statement

The mission of the Moscow Arts Commission is to enrich the community by celebrating and cultivating the expression of all forms of art and culture. Fulfillment of this purpose shall be based upon the following values:

- Recognition and promotion of artists' value by creating opportunities for work to be experienced.
- Facilitation and promotion of the social, educational, and economic value of all forms of art and culture in the community.
- Performance of leadership, collaboration, and outreach in the conversation between all forms of art and culture with partner agencies, city leaders, and the community.

2. Approval of Minutes from May 12th, 2026 (ACTION ITEM)

PROPOSED ACTION: Approve minutes, amend minutes, or take such other action deemed appropriate.

3. Public Comment and Response to Previous Comments (limited to 10 minutes)

Members of the public may speak to the Commission regarding matters NOT on the agenda or currently pending before the Commission. Please state your name and address for the record and limit your remarks to three (3) minutes.

4. Storm Drain Mural Selection (ACTION ITEM)

A call for storm drain mural designs was open from April 16 to May 29, 2026. A total of 8 submissions were received from the community and are available to view here:

<https://moscowarts.submittable.com/gallery/fe02a10-e382-46c5-9aff-d98f37c461c6>

The MAC is invited to discuss and score each submission according to the criteria published in the RFP:

1. Formal & Conceptual Quality
 - a. The artist presents a compelling concept.
 - b. The proposed design is original to the presenting artist.
2. Content & Context
 - a. The artwork's subject matter and content is appropriate for public exhibition and does not contain advertising, religious references, sexual content, negative imagery,

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or convey political partisanship.

b. The content of the proposed design is relevant to the City of Moscow's values, culture, and people.

c. The proposed design communicates the function of the City's storm sewer system.

Upon recommendation of up to two designs by the MAC, Arts staff will facilitate artist contracts and installation.

PROPOSED ACTION: Recommend two artworks for installation or take such other action deemed appropriate.

5. **Third Street Gallery 2027 Schedule (ACTION ITEM)**

The MAC is invited to review proposed schedules for Third Street Gallery exhibitions in 2026 and 2027. Discussions about exhibitions for 2027 prompted a slight rearrangement of the 2026 schedule. The packet includes both the revised 2026 and proposed 2027 schedule. At the May 12 meeting, the MAC recommended a solo show of quilts from Kascha Quilts in Genessee. The representatives of that collection have opted out of the opportunity, so an alternative is proposed for the 2027 schedule based on previously-discussed interest from the community.

PROPOSED ACTION: Recommend the revised 2026 and proposed 2027 Third Street Gallery schedule or take such other action deemed appropriate.

6. **MPD Sculpture Recommendation (ACTION ITEM)**

Following initial submissions of artist qualifications, the Selection Panel and MAC recommended a slate of finalists to create site-specific designs. Those designs are available to view here: <https://moscowarts.submittable.com/gallery/cf3db467-c437-4510-8be8-e9304e840d04>

The Selection Panel recommends Ken McCall with the potential to replace the wings with an asymmetrical flame shape that incorporates the clock shape. A public input period was open from May 26 – 29, 2026. A total of 89 people responded, with results in the packet. MAC members are invited to discuss:

- Artist recommendation.
- Possibilities for design updates.

Following a vote by the majority of MAC members to recommend an artist and design updates, staff will work with the artist to provide design edits and will present the recommendation to City Council.

PROPOSED ACTION: Recommend an artist and design or take such other action deemed appropriate.

7. **City Shop Mural Recommendation (ACTION ITEM)**

Following initial submissions of artist qualifications, the Selection Panel and MAC recommended a slate of finalists to create site-specific designs. Those designs are available to view here: <https://moscowarts.submittable.com/gallery/20796d7e-9f79-4a1f-b0f1-0aa1db5f44d7>

The Selection Panel recommends that the Moscow Arts Commission choose between Sasha Primo and Taylor Shaw, with these updates to the artist's design as presented:

Sasha Primo

Panel members suggested eliminating or de-emphasizing the plant shapes on either side of the composition, introducing more shop-related subject matter such as equipment and human figures. Selection Panel members noted that among the 43 members of the public who responded, this seemed to be the preferred option.

Taylor Shaw

Panel members suggested removing the side-by-side, cement truck, and wood chipper, placing more figures and park-related subject matter in the composition instead. One panel member suggested a "calmer" color palette, while others preferred Colorway #1. It was noted that this design is preferred by City staff members who work at the shop.

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REPORTS

- 1. Volunteer Hour Tally for May 2026**
- 2. Subcommittee Reports:**
 - MPD Sculpture Selection Panel – June 2, 2026 meeting
 - City Shop Mural Selection Panel – June 3, 2026 meeting
- 3. Staff Report (Cherry)**
 - Mayor’s Arts Awards Nomination Period
 - ECP Poem
 - Poetry in the Park on August 27th
 - Palouse Plein Air on September 17th

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